

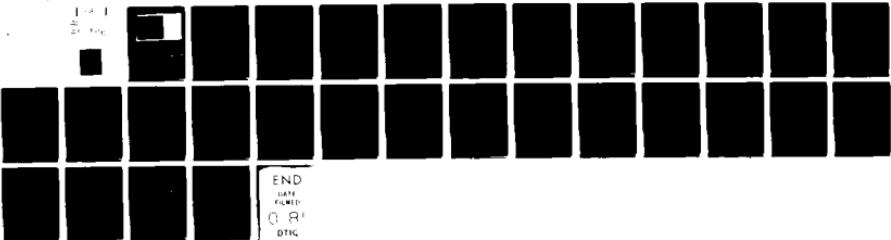
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ABSTRACT

Consider the abstract differential equation

$$(1) \quad u''(t) + 2Bu'(t) = Au(t) + F(u(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad u(0) = x, \\ u'(0) = y$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are densely defined linear operators and  $F$  is possibly nonlinear and unbounded. Assuming that  $A + B^2$  generates a cosine family  $C(t)$  and  $-B$  generates a group  $T(t)$ , there is a variation of constants formula for (1); namely

$$(2) \quad u(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)]$$

$$+ \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(u(s)) ds,$$

where  $S(t)$  is the sine family associated with  $C(t)$ . The motivating examples include  $w_{tt} + 2b(x)w_t = w_{xx} + f(w, w_x, w_t)$  and  $w_{tt} + 2w_{tx} = w_{xx} + f(w, w_x, w_t)$ , for  $0 < x < \pi$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $w(x, 0) = h(x)$ ,  $w_t(x, 0) = g(x)$ , and various boundary conditions. We examine the existence of mild solutions and the asymptotic behavior when there is a damping effect introduced by the  $2Bu'(t)$  term.

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## SIGNIFICANCE AND EXPLANATION

A variation of constants formula is given for certain second order differential equations in a Banach space. The abstract results obtained can be applied to a class of damped semilinear hyperbolic partial differential equations; in particular, the existence and asymptotic behavior of solutions of such equations is examined.

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## COSINE FAMILIES AND DAMPED SECOND ORDER DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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1. INTRODUCTION. Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $A$  and  $B$  be linear operators on  $X$  with domains  $D(A)$  and  $D(B)$  respectively.  $F$  will denote a nonlinear, possibly unbounded map on  $X$ . We consider the abstract differential equation:

$$(1.1) \quad u''(t) + 2Bu'(t) = Au(t) + F(u(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$u(0) = x, \quad u'(0) = y$$

Essentially under the assumption that  $A + B^2$  generates a cosine family  $C(t)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , of linear operators on  $X$  and that  $-B$  generates a group  $T(t)$ , we will establish existence for (1.1) and examine the asymptotic behavior of (1.1) when there is a damping effect introduced by the term  $2Bu'(t)$ . We will actually consider "mild" solutions of (1.1); i.e., solutions of the variation of constants equation:

$$(1.2) \quad u(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(u(s))ds,$$

where  $S(t)$  is the sine family associated with  $C(t)$ .

Two situations to which the abstract theory applies are indicated by the following examples.

$$(1.3) \quad w_{tt}(x,t) + 2b(x)w_t(x,t) = w_{xx}(x,t) + f(w(x,t), w_x(x,t)), \\ t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 < x < \pi \\ w(x,0) = h(x), \quad w_t(x,0) = g(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ w(0,t) = w(\pi,t) = 0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

where  $b: [0,\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous. Asymptotic behavior for (1.3)

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and  $f \equiv 0$  has been considered by Rauch [3]. The second illustrative example is

$$(1.4) \quad w_{tt}(x,t) + 2w_{xt}(x,t) = w_{xx}(x,t) + f(w(x,t), w_x(x,t)),$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 < x < \pi$$

$$w(x,0) = h(x), \quad w_t(x,0) = g(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

$$w(0,t) = w(\pi,t), \quad w_x(0,t) = w_x(\pi,t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

The preliminaries in section 2 include the known properties of cosine families that we will use and the assumptions on A and B which will be made throughout the paper. Also, in section 2 we establish the relationship between equations (1.1) and (1.2). In section 3 we give existence criteria for equation (1.2) and some global properties of solutions are given in section 4. The examples are discussed in section 5.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES. Let X be a Banach space with norm $\|\cdot\|$ .

**DEFINITION.** A one-parameter family  $\{C(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  of bounded linear operators on X is called a strongly continuous cosine family provided

- (i)  $C(0) = I$ , the identity on X;
- (ii)  $C(s+t) + C(s-t) = 2C(s)C(t)$ , for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ; and
- (iii) for each  $x \in X$ ,  $C(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuous.

Associated with  $C(t)$  is the sine family  $\{S(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  defined by  $S(t)x = \int_0^t C(s)x ds$  for  $x \in X$ . The infinitesimal generator of  $C(t)$  is the linear operator  $G: D(G) \rightarrow X$  defined by  $Gx = C''(0)x$  where

$D(G) = \{x \in X: C(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X \text{ is twice continuously differentiable}\}.$

We also refer to the set  $E$  defined by

$$E = \{x \in X: C(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X \text{ is continuously differentiable}\}.$$

The proof of the following proposition as well as a more complete discussion of cosine families may be found in Travis and Webb [4].

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** Let  $\{C(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  be a strongly continuous cosine family of bounded linear operators on  $X$  with generator  $G$ . The following properties hold:

- (i)  $G$  is a closed operator on  $X$  with domain  $D(G)$  dense in  $X$ ;
- (ii) if  $x \in X$ , then  $S(t)x \in E$  and  $S'(t)x = C(t)x$ ;
- (iii) if  $x \in E$ , then  $S(t)x \in D(G)$  and  $S''(t)x = GS(t)x$ ;
- (iv) if  $x \in E$ , then  $C'(t)x = GS(t)x$ ;
- (v) if  $x \in D(G)$ , then  $S(t)x \in D(G)$  and  $GS(t)x = S(t)Gx$ ;
- (vi) if  $x \in D(G)$ , then  $C(t)x \in D(G)$  and  $C''(t)x = GC(t)x = C(t)Gx$ ;
- (vii)  $C(t+s) - C(t-s) = 2GS(t)S(s)$ , for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (viii)  $S(s+t) = S(s)C(t) + S(t)C(s)$ , for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (ix)  $C(t), S(s), C(s), S(t)$  commute for  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (x) there exist constants  $K \geq 1$  and  $\omega \geq 0$  such that  
 $|C(t)| \leq Ke^{\omega|t|}$  and  $|S(t) - S(\hat{t})| \leq K|\int_{\hat{t}}^t e^{\omega|s|} ds|$  for  
all  $t, \hat{t} \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Throughout this paper we will make the following suppositions on  $A$  and  $B$ . Recall that  $\{T(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is said to be a strongly continuous

group of linear operators on  $X$  provided  $T(0) = I$ ,  $T(t + s) = T(t)T(s)$  for all  $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ , and for each  $x \in X$ ,  $T(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuous.

(2.1)  $A$  and  $B$  are densely defined linear operators

on  $X$  with domains  $D(A) \subseteq D(B)$ .

(2.2)  $G = A + B^2$  generates a strongly continuous cosine family  $\{C(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

(2.3)  $-B$  generates a strongly continuous group  $\{T(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  of linear operators on  $X$ .

We will also refer to the regularity conditions:

(2.4)  $D(G) = D(A + B^2) \subseteq D(A)$ .

(2.5)  $T(t): D(A) \rightarrow D(A)$ .

(2.6)  $E \subseteq D(B)$  and if  $\{S(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is the sine family associated with  $C(t)$ , then  $t \mapsto BS(t)x$  is continuous for each  $x \in X$  and if  $x \in D(B)$  then  $S(t)Bx = BS(t)x$ .

(2.7) If  $x \in D(B)$ , then  $C(t)x \in D(B)$  and  $C(t)Bx = BC(t)x$ .

(2.8) For  $x \in X$ ,  $\int_r^s T(u)S(u)x du \in D(A)$  and

$$A \int_r^s T(u)S(u)x du = T(s)C(s)x - T(r)C(r)x \\ + BT(s)S(s)x - BT(r)S(r)x.$$

The authors do not know if (2.8) is a consequence of (2.1) - (2.7); however, it is observed in section 5 that the examples satisfy (2.1) - (2.8).

**PROPOSITION 2.2** (Travis and Webb [5]). Suppose  $P$  is a closed linear operator on  $X$  such that

(i)  $S(t) \in D(P)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in X$ ; and

(ii) for each  $x \in X$ , the map  $t \mapsto PS(t)x$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $M \geq 1$  and  $\omega^* \geq \omega$  such that  $|PS(t)| \leq M e^{\omega^*|t|}$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\omega$  is given in Proposition 2.1(x).

REMARK. Assuming condition (2.6), there exists  $M \geq 1$  and  $\omega^* \geq \omega$  such that  $|BS(t)| \leq M e^{\omega^*|t|}$ .

The following proposition justifies referring to a solution of equation (1.2) as a mild solution of (1.1).

PROPOSITION 2.3. Suppose (2.1) - (2.8) hold and  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuous. If  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuously differentiable,  $x \in D(G)$  with  $Bx \in E$ ,  $y \in E$ , and  $u$  satisfies

$$(2.9) \quad u(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s) ds,$$

then  $u(t) \in D(A)$ ,  $u'(t) \in D(B)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $u$  is twice continuously differentiable, and  $u$  satisfies

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} u''(t) + 2Bu'(t) &= Au(t) + g(t) \\ u(0) &= x, \quad u'(0) = y. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, if  $u$  is twice continuously differentiable,  $u(t) \in D(A)$  and  $u'(t) \in D(B)$  for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $u$  satisfies (2.10), then  $u$  satisfies (2.9).

Proof. To show that a solution of equation (2.9) satisfies (2.10), we first define

$$v(t) = \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s) ds.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(t) &= \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(0) \, ds + \int_0^t \int_u^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g'(u) \, ds \, du \\
 &= \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(0) \, ds + \int_0^t \int_0^{t-u} T(s)S(s)g'(u) \, ds \, du
 \end{aligned}$$

Using condition (2.8), we have  $v(t) \in D(A)$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 Av(t) &= T(t)C(t)g(0) - g(0) + BT(t)S(t)g(0) \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t [T(t-u)C(t-u)g'(u) - g'(u) + BT(t-u)S(t-u)g'(u)] \, du \\
 &= T(t)C(t)g(0) - g(0) + BT(t)S(t)g(0) \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t [T(t-u)C(t-u)g'(u) + BT(t-u)S(t-u)g'(u)] \, du - g(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
 v'(t) &= T(t)S(t)g(0) + \int_0^t T(s)S(s)g'(t-s) \, ds \\
 &= T(t)S(t)g(0) + \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g'(s) \, ds
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 v''(t) &= T(t)C(t)g(0) - BT(t)S(t)g(0) \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t [BT(t-s)S(t-s)g'(s) + T(t-s)C(t-s)g'(s)] \, ds \\
 &= Av(t) + g(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

Defining  $V_H(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)]$  and using a straightforward computation, one can establish that

$$v''_H(t) + 2Bv'_H(t) = Av_H(t).$$

Noting that  $u(t) = v_H(t) + v(t)$ , it follows that  $u$  satisfies (2.10).

To establish the converse statement, observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{ds} T(t-s)S(t-s)u'(s) &= T(t-s)[-C(t-s)u(s) + S(t-s)u'(s)] \\ &\quad + BT(t-s)S(t-s)u'(s) \\ &= -T(t-s)C(t-s)u'(s) \\ &\quad + T(t-s)S(t-s)[Au(s) - 2Bu'(s) + g(s)] \\ &\quad + BT(t-s)S(t-s)u'(s)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{ds} T(t-s)C(t-s)u(s) &= T(t-s)[-(A + B^2)S(t-s)u(s) + C(t-s)u'(s)] \\ &\quad + BT(t-s)C(t-s)u(s)\end{aligned}$$

Integrating we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}-T(t)S(t)u(0) &= \int_0^t [-T(t-s)C(t-s)u'(s) + T(t-s)S(t-s)Au(s) \\ &\quad - T(t-s)S(t-s)Bu'(s) + T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s)] ds\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}u(t) - T(t)C(t)u(0) &= \int_0^t [-T(t-s)AS(t-s)u(s) - T(t-s)B^2S(t-s)u(s) \\ &\quad + T(t-s)C(t-s)u'(s) + BT(t-s)C(t-s)u(s)] ds\end{aligned}$$

Addition of the two formulas yields

$$\begin{aligned}
u(t) &= T(t)S(t)u'(0) + T(t)C(t)u(0) \\
&= \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s) ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t [BT(t-s)C(t-s)u(s) - T(t-s)S(t-s)Bu'(s) \\
&\quad \quad \quad - T(t-s)B^2S(t-s)u(s)] ds \\
&= \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s) ds - \int_0^t \frac{d}{ds} [T(t-s)S(t-s)Bu(s)] ds \\
&= \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)g(s) ds + T(t)S(t)Bu(0)
\end{aligned}$$

and it is seen that  $u$  satisfies (2.9).

3. EXISTENCE. In this section we establish the existence of solutions to equation (1.2) under various assumptions on the cosine family  $C(t)$  generated by  $G = A + B^2$  and the nonlinear function  $F$ .

PROPOSITION 3.1 (Fattorini [1]). If  $G$  is the generator of a strongly continuous cosine family then there exists a translation  $G_c \equiv G - c^2I$  of  $G$  such that

- (i)  $G_c^{-1}$  exists as a bounded operator on  $X$  and
  - (ii) for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  the fractional powers  $(-G_c)^\alpha$  exist as closed, densely defined operators with
- $$D(G) \subset D((-G_c)^{\alpha_1}) \subset D((-G_c)^{\alpha_2}) \text{ for } 0 \leq \alpha_2 < \alpha_1 \leq 1.$$

The existence of  $(-G_c)^{-1}$  implies that  $(-G_c)^{-\alpha}$  exists as a bounded linear operator on  $X$  and consequently  $D((-G_c)^\alpha)$  becomes a Banach space  $x_\alpha$  with norm  $|x|_\alpha = |(-G_c)^\alpha x|$ . Also in [1], it was shown that if  $X = L^p$ ,

$1 < p < \infty$  then  $E \subset D((-G_c)^{1/2})$  and for each  $x \in X$ ,  $(-G_c)^{1/2}S(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuous. For general Banach space  $X$ , Rankin [2] showed that  $E \subset D((-G_c)^\alpha)$  for all  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ . We shall make the following assumptions:

(3.1) There exists  $0 < \lambda < 1$  such that  $E \subset D((-G_c)^\lambda)$  and  $(-G_c)^\lambda S(\cdot)x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  is continuous for  $x \in X$ .

(3.2) If  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $x \in D((-G_c)^\alpha)$ , then  $T(t)x \in D((-G_c)^\alpha)$  with  $(-G_c)^\alpha T(t)x = T(t)(-G_c)^\alpha x$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

REMARK. If condition (3.1) holds, then by Proposition 2.2 there exists  $M_\lambda \geq 1$  and  $\omega_\lambda \geq \omega$  such that  $|(-G_c)^\lambda S(t)| \leq M_\lambda e^{\omega_\lambda |t|}$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** In addition to (2.1) - (2.3), (3.1), and (3.2), suppose  $D \subset X_\lambda$  is open. If  $F: D \rightarrow X$  satisfies  $|F(x_1) - F(x_2)| \leq L|x_1 - x_2|_\lambda$  for some  $L > 0$  and all  $x_1, x_2 \in D$ , then for each  $x \in D \cap D(B)$  and  $y \in X$  there exists  $a > 0$  and a unique continuous function  $u: [-a, a] \rightarrow X_\lambda$  such that  $u$  satisfies (1.2).

**Proof.** The proof employs the contraction mapping principle. Choose  $\delta > 0$  and  $N > 0$  such that if

$$W(x, \delta) = \{z \in X : |z - x|_\lambda < \delta\}$$

then  $W(x, \delta) \subset D$  and  $|F(z)| \leq N$  for  $z \in W(x, \delta)$ . Choose  $a > 0$  such that for  $t \in [-a, a]$

$$|T(t)C(t)x - x|_\lambda + |T(t)S(t)(Bx + y)|_\lambda \leq \frac{\delta}{2},$$

$$N \int_{-a}^a |T(s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(s)| ds < \frac{\delta}{2}, \text{ and}$$

$$L \int_{-a}^a |T(s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(s)| ds < 1.$$

Define

$$K = \{v \in C([-a, a]; X_\lambda) : \sup_{-a \leq t \leq a} |v(t) - x|_\lambda \leq \delta\}$$

and the map  $H: K \rightarrow C([-a, a]; X_\lambda)$  by

$$[Hv](t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(v(s)) ds$$

The choice of  $\delta$  and  $a$  implies that  $H: K \rightarrow K$ . Furthermore, for

$$v_1, v_2 \in K$$

$$\begin{aligned} |Hv_1(t) - Hv_2(t)|_\lambda &\leq \int_0^t |T(t-s)(-G_C)^\lambda S(t-s)[F(v_1(s)) - F(v_2(s))]| ds \\ &\leq L \int_0^t |T(t-s)(-G_C)^\lambda S(t-s)| |v_1(s) - v_2(s)|_\lambda ds \end{aligned}$$

and by the choice of  $a$  we have that  $H$  satisfies the hypothesis of the contraction mapping principle. The assertions follow.

**THEOREM 3.2.** *In addition to assumptions (2.1) - (2.5), (3.1), and (3.2), suppose  $(-G_C)^{-1}$  is compact. Let  $D \subset X_\lambda$  be open and  $0 < \beta$ . If  $F: D \rightarrow X_\beta$  is continuous, then for each  $x \in D \cap D(B)$  and  $y \in X$  there exist  $a > 0$  and a continuous function  $u: [-a, a] \rightarrow X_\lambda$  satisfying (1.2).*

**Proof.** Let  $\delta > 0$  and  $N > 0$  be such that if

$$W(x, \delta) = \{z \in X : |z - x|_\lambda < \delta\}$$

then  $W(x, \delta) \subset D$  and  $|F(z)|_\beta \leq N$  for  $z \in W(x, \delta)$ . Choose  $a > 0$  such that

$$|T(t)C(t)x - x|_\lambda + |T(t)S(t)(Bx + y)|_\lambda \leq \frac{\delta}{2}$$

and

$$N \int_{-a}^a |T(s)(-G_C)^\lambda S(s)| ds < \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

Define the set  $K$  and map  $H$  as in the proof of Theorem 3.1. As in Theorem 3.1, the choice of  $\delta$  and  $a$  implies that  $H: K \rightarrow K$ . For  $v_1, v_2 \in K$ ,

$$|Hv_1(t) - Hv_2(t)|_\lambda \leq \int_0^t |T(t-s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t-s)| |F(v_1(s)) - F(v_2(s))| ds$$

and the continuity of  $H$  follows from the continuity of  $F: D \rightarrow X_\beta$ . To show that  $\{Hv: v \in K\}$  is an equicontinuous family in  $C([-a, a]; X_\lambda)$ , we observe that if  $(G_c)^{-1}$  is compact then  $(-G_c)^{-\alpha}$  is compact for  $0 < \alpha < 1$  (see Travis and Webb [6]). For  $-a \leq t_1 < t_2 \leq a$  and  $v \in K$

$$\begin{aligned} & |Hv(t_1) - Hv(t_2)|_\lambda \\ & \leq |T(t_2)C(t_2)x - T(t_1)C(t_1)x|_\lambda + |T(t_2)S(t_2)(Bx + y) - T(t_1)S(t_1)(Bx + y)|_\lambda \\ & \quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |T(t_2-s)S(t_2-s)F(v(s))|_\lambda ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^{t_2} |[T(t_2-s)S(t_2-s) - T(t_1-s)S(t_1-s)]F(v(s))|_\lambda ds. \end{aligned}$$

Now write

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{t_1} |[T(t_2-s)S(t_2-s) - T(t_1-s)S(t_1-s)]F(v(s))|_\lambda ds \\ & \leq \int_0^{t_1} |T(t_2-s)[(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_2-s) - (-G_c)^\lambda S(t_1-s)](-G_c)^{-\beta}(-G_c)^\beta F(v(s))| ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^{t_1} |T(t_2-s)[T(t_2-t_1) - I](-G_c)^{-\beta}(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_1-s)(-G_c)^\beta F(v(s))| ds. \end{aligned}$$

The equicontinuity of the family  $\{Hv: v \in K\}$  follows since

$$\{(-G_c)^{-\beta}(-G_c)^\beta F(y): y \in W(x, \delta)\}$$

and

$$\{(-G_c)^{-\beta} (G_c)^\lambda S(t_1 - s) (-G_c)^\beta F(y) : y \in W(x, \delta), 0 \leq s \leq t_1 \leq a\}$$

are precompact sets in  $X$  and the maps  $t \mapsto (-G_c)^\lambda S(t)$  and  $t \mapsto T(t)$  are continuous uniformly on compact sets of  $X$ . Also, for each  $v \in K$  and  $t \in [-a, a]$

$$\begin{aligned} (-G_c)^\lambda Hv(t) &= T(t)C(t)(-G_c)^\lambda x + T(t)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t)(Bx + y) \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)(-G_c)^{-\beta} (-G_c)^\lambda S(t-s)(-G_c)^\beta F(v(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

and consequently,  $\{Hv(t) : v \in K \text{ and } t \in [-a, a]\}$  is precompact in  $X_\lambda$ . Thus by the Ascoli-Arzela Theorem  $\{Hv : v \in K\}$  is precompact in  $X_\lambda$  and the assertions of the theorem follow from the Schauder Fixed Point Theorem.

**THEOREM 3.3.** *In addition to assumptions (2.1) - (2.5), (3.1), and (3.2), suppose  $(-G_c)^{-1}$  is compact and  $0 \leq \beta < \lambda$ . If  $D \subset X_\beta$  is open and  $F:D \rightarrow X$  is continuous, then for each  $x \in D \cap D(B)$  and  $y \in X$  there exist  $a > 0$  and a continuous function  $u: [-a, a] \rightarrow X_\beta$  satisfying (1.2).*

**Proof.** The proof is similar to that of the previous theorem. Let  $\delta > 0$  and  $N > 0$  be such that if

$$W(x, \delta) = \{z \in X : |z - x|_\beta < \delta\}$$

then  $W(x, \delta) \subset D$  and  $|F(z)| \leq N$  for  $z \in W(x, \delta)$ . Define  $K$  and  $H$  as before. One shows  $H: K \rightarrow K$  and is continuous. Writing

$$\begin{aligned} (-G_c)^\beta Hv(t) &= T(t)C(t)(-G_c)^\beta x + T(t)(-G_c)^\beta S(t)(Bx + y) \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)(-G_c)^{\beta-\lambda} (-G_c)^\lambda S(t-s)F(v(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

one observes that  $\{Hv(t) : v \in K \text{ and } t \in [-a, a]\}$  is precompact in  $X_\beta$  and writing

$$\begin{aligned}
& |Hv(t_2) - Hv(t_1)|_\beta \\
& \leq |T(t_2)C(t_2)x - T(t_1)C(t_1)x|_\beta + |T(t_2)S(t_2)(Bx + y) - T(t_1)S(t_1)(Bx + y)|_\beta \\
& + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |T(t_2 - s)S(t_2 - s)F(v(s))|_\beta ds \\
& + \int_0^{t_1} |T(t_2 - s)[(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_2 - s) - (-G_c)^\lambda S(t_1 - s)](-G_c)^{\beta-\lambda} F(v(s))| ds \\
& + \int_0^{t_1} |T(t_2 - s)[T(t_2 - t_1) - I](-G_c)^{\beta-\lambda} (G_c)^\lambda S(t_1 - s)F(v(s))| ds
\end{aligned}$$

one observes that the family  $\{Hv : v \in K\}$  is equicontinuous. Consequently,  $H(K) \subset X$  is precompact the the assertions follow.

**REMARK.** In addition to the hypothesis of Theorem 3.1, 3.2, or 3.3, suppose the regularity conditions (2.6) and (2.7) hold. Then if  $x \in E$  and  $y \in X$ , we have that  $u'$  exists and  $u' : [-a, a] \rightarrow X$  is continuous. If the regularity conditions (2.4) - (2.8) hold,  $F$  is continuously Frechet differentiable,  $x \in D(G)$  with  $Bx \in E$ , and  $y \in E$ , then  $u$  satisfies (1.1).

The final theorem of this section gives sufficient criteria for global existence.

**THEOREM 3.4.** Assume that either

- (i) the suppositions of Theorem 3.1 hold, or
- (ii) the suppositions of Theorem 3.2 (3.3) hold and  $F$  maps bounded sets of  $D$  into bounded sets of  $X_\beta$  ( $X$ ).

and the regularity conditions (2.6) - (2.7) hold. If  $x \in E$  and  $y \in X$  and  $u$  is a solution of equation (1.2) noncontinuable to the right on  $[0, d]$ , then either  $d = +\infty$  or, given any closed bounded set  $V \subset D$ , there exists a sequence  $t_k \rightarrow d^-$  such that  $u(t_k) \notin V$ . An analogous result holds for noncontinuability to the left.

**Proof.** The proofs under assumptions (i) and (ii) are similar; only assumption (ii) with Theorem 3.2 is considered. For contradiction, suppose  $d < \infty$  and there exists a bounded closed set  $V \subset D$  such that  $u(t) \in V$  for all  $t \in [0, d)$ . For  $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < d$  and  $u$  satisfying equation (1.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |u(t_2) - u(t_1)|_\lambda &\leq |T(t_2)C(t_2)(-G_c)^\lambda x - T(t_1)C(t_1)(-G_c)^\lambda x| \\ &\quad + |[T(t_2)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_2) - T(t_1)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_1)](Bx + y)| \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |T(t_2 - s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_2 - s)F(u(s))| ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t_1} |[T(t_2 - s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_2 - s) \\ &\quad - T(t_1 - s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t_1 - s)]F(u(s))| ds. \end{aligned}$$

Noting that  $\{F(u(s)): 0 \leq s < d\} \subset F(V)$  is bounded in  $X_\beta$  and thus precompact in  $X$  and that  $t \mapsto T(t)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t)$  is uniformly continuous on compact sets in  $X$  we see that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow d^-} u(t)$  exists with  $\lim_{t \rightarrow d^-} u(t) = p \in V \subset D$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
& |u'(t_2) - u'(t_1)| \\
& \leq |T(t_2)GS(t_2)x - T(t_1)GS(t_1)x| + |T(t_2)BC(t_2)x - T(t_1)BC(t_1)x| \\
& \quad + |T(t_2)C(t_2)(Bx + y) - T(t_1)C(t_1)(Bx + y)| \\
& \quad + |T(t_2)BS(t_2)(Bx + y) - T(t_1)BS(t_1)(Bx + y)| \\
& \quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |T(t_2-s)C(t_2-s)F(u(s)) - T(t_2-s)BS(t_2-s)F(u(s))| ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^{t_1} |[T(t_2-s)C(t_2-s) - T(t_1-s)C(t_1-s)]F(u(s))| ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^{t_1} |[T(t_2-s)BS(t_2-s) - T(t_1-s)BS(t_1-s)]F(u(s))| ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Again, using the fact that  $\{F(u(s)): 0 \leq s < d\}$  is precompact in  $X$  and that  $t \mapsto T(t)C(t)$  and  $t \mapsto T(t)BS(t)$  are continuous uniformly on compact sets of  $X$ , it follows that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow d^-} u'(t) = q \in X$  exists. Noting that

$$p = T(d)[C(d)x + S(d)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^d T(d-s)S(d-s)F(u(s)) ds$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
q &= T(d)[GS(d)x + C(d)(Bx + y)] - BT(d)[C(d)x + S(d)(Bx + y)] \\
&\quad - \int_0^d BT(d-s)S(d-s)F(u(s)) ds + \int_0^d T(d-s)C(d-s)F(u(s)) ds,
\end{aligned}$$

we see that  $p \in D \cap D(B)$  and  $q \in X$ . Thus one can obtain a solution of the equation

$$v(t) = T(t-d)[C(t-d)p + S(t-d)(Bp + q)] + \int_d^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(v(s)) ds$$

for  $d \leq t < d^*$ . One then extends  $u$  to  $[0, d^*)$  by defining  $u(t) = v(t)$  on  $[d, d^*)$ . Using the properties found in Proposition 2.1 (in particular, identities (vii) and (viii)), one can show for  $t \in [d, d^*)$  that

$$u(t) = v(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(u(s)) ds,$$

contradicting the noncontinuity of  $u$ .

4. ASYMPTOTIC BEHAVIOR. In this section we will assume  $T(t)$  decays exponentially as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ; i.e., there exists  $b > 0$  such that  $|T(t)| \leq M e^{-bt}$  for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . For convenience, we assume  $M = 1$ .

**THEOREM 4.1.** *In addition to the suppositions of Theorem 3.2, suppose  $F$  maps bounded sets of  $X_\lambda$  into bounded sets of  $X_\beta$ . Also, suppose  $b < \omega_\lambda$ ,  $x \in X_\gamma$  for some  $\lambda < \gamma < 1$  with  $Bx \in X_\beta$ ,  $y \in X_\beta$  and  $u$  is a solution of (1.2) defined and bounded on  $[0, \infty)$ . Then  $\{u(t): t \geq 0\}$  is precompact in  $X_\lambda$ . A similar assertion holds under the hypotheses of Theorem 3.3.*

**Proof.** Choose  $1 > \gamma > 0$  such that  $\lambda < \gamma < \lambda + \beta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (-G_c)^\gamma u(t) &= (-G_c)^\gamma T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)] \\ &\quad + (-G_c)^\gamma \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(u(s)) ds \\ &= T(t)C(t)(-G_c)^\gamma x + T(t)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t)[(-G_c)^{\gamma-\lambda}(Bx + y)] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t-s)(-G_c)^{\gamma-\lambda} F(u(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$|(-G_c)^\gamma u(t)| \leq K e^{(-b+\omega)t} |x|_\gamma + M_\lambda e^{(-b+\omega_\lambda)t} |Bx + y|_{\gamma-\lambda} \\ + M_\lambda \int_0^t e^{(-b+\omega_\lambda)(t-s)} |F(u(s))|_{\gamma-\lambda} ds.$$

Consequently,  $\{(-G_c)^\gamma u(t)\}$  is bounded and  $\{(-G_c)^\lambda u(t): t \geq 0\} = \{(-G_c)^{\lambda-\gamma} (-G_c)^\gamma u(t): t \geq 0\}$  is precompact in  $X$ .

**THEOREM 4.2.** In addition to the hypotheses of Theorem 3.4 with  $D = X$ , suppose there exists a continuous function  $j: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  with  $j(0) = 0$  such that  $|F(x)|_\beta \leq j(r)|x|_\lambda$  for  $x \in X_\lambda$  and  $|x|_\lambda \leq r$ . If  $x \in X_\lambda \cap D(B)$  and  $y \in X$ , then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $N \geq 1$ , and  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $|x|_\lambda \leq \varepsilon/2$  and  $|y| \leq \varepsilon/2$  then the solution of (1.2) exists on  $[0, \infty)$  and satisfies  $|u(t)|_\lambda \leq N e^{-\delta t} (|x|_\lambda + |Bx + y|)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $N = \max\{K, M_\lambda\}$ ,  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$  such that  $j(\varepsilon_1) < (b - \omega_\lambda)/2$ , and  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_1/N$ . For  $|x|_\lambda \leq \varepsilon/2$  and  $|y| \leq \varepsilon/2$ , let  $u$  be the solution of equation (1.2) and  $[0, t^*]$  ( $[0, \infty)$  if  $t^* = \infty$ ) the maximal interval such that  $|u(t)|_\lambda \leq \varepsilon_1$  for all  $0 \leq t < t^*$ . For  $0 \leq t < t^*$ ,

$$(-G_c)^\lambda u(t) \\ = T(t)[C(t)(-G_c)^\lambda x + (-G_c)^\lambda S(t)(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t T(t-s)(-G_c)^\lambda S(t-s)F(u(s)) ds$$

and

$$|u(t)|_\lambda \\ \leq e^{-bt} [Ke^{\omega t} |x|_\lambda + M_\lambda e^{\omega_\lambda t} |Bx + y|] + \left[ \frac{b - \omega_\lambda}{2} \right] M_\lambda \int_0^t e^{-b(t-s)} e^{\omega_\lambda(t-s)} |u(s)|_\lambda ds.$$

Thus

$$e^{(b-\omega_\lambda)t} |u(t)|_\lambda \leq K|x|_\lambda + M_\lambda |Bx + y| + \frac{b - \omega_\lambda}{2} M_\lambda \int_0^t e^{(b-\omega_\lambda)s} |u(s)|_\lambda ds$$

and Gronwall's inequality yields

$$|u(t)|_\lambda \leq N(|x|_\lambda + |Bx + y|) e^{[(b-\omega_\lambda)/2](Nt)}.$$

Thus  $\delta = [(b - \omega_\lambda)/2]N$  and  $t^* = \infty$  by Theorem 3.4.

## 5. EXAMPLES. We first consider the equation

$$(5.1) \quad w_{tt}(x,t) + 2b(x)w(x,t) = w_{xx}(x,t) + f(w(x,t)), \quad 0 < x < \pi, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$w(0,t) = w(\pi,t) = 0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$w(x,0) = h(x), \quad w_t(x,0) = g(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

where  $h$  and  $g$  are in  $L_2(0,\pi;\mathbb{R})$  and  $b: [0,\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous.

Let  $X = L_2(0,\pi;\mathbb{R})$  with inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  and define  $A: D(A) \rightarrow X$  by  $A\phi = \phi''$  where

$$D(A) = \{\phi \in X: \phi, \phi' \text{ are absolutely continuous,}$$

$$\phi'' \in X, \phi(0) = \phi(\pi) = 0\}.$$

$A$  can be written in the form

$$A\phi = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 (\phi, \phi_n) \phi_n$$

for  $\phi \in D(A)$ , where  $\phi_n(x) = (2/\pi)^{1/2} \sin(nx)$ . We define  $B: X \rightarrow X$  by  $[B\phi]x = b(x)\phi(x)$ . Defining  $G = A + B^2$  we have

$$[G\phi]x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n^2 + b(x))(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x)$$

and  $G$  generates the cosine family

$$[C(t)\phi](x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n(x, t)(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x)$$

where

$$C_n(x, t) = \begin{cases} \cos(n^2 - b^2(x))^{1/2}t, & n^2 > b^2(x) \\ 1, & n^2 = b^2(x) \\ \cosh(b^2(x) - n^2)^{1/2}t, & n^2 < b^2(x). \end{cases}$$

Also,

$$[S(t)f](x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n(x, t)(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x)$$

where

$$s_n(x, t) = \begin{cases} (n^2 - b^2(x))^{-1/2} \sin(n^2 - b^2(x))^{1/2}t, & n^2 > b^2(x) \\ t, & n^2 = b^2(x) \\ (b^2(x) - n^2)^{-1/2} \sinh(b^2(x) - n^2)^{1/2}t, & n^2 < b^2(x). \end{cases}$$

Note also that  $-B$  generates the group  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  on  $X$  defined by  $[T(t)\phi]x = e^{-tb(x)}\phi(x)$  and  $D(B) = X$ . It is easily seen that properties (2.1) - (2.7) are satisfied. Property (2.8) is established by the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 5.1.** *Let  $A, B, C(t), S(t), T(t)$  be as above. Then (2.8) is satisfied, i.e., for  $\phi \in X$ ,  $\int_r^s T(u)S(u)\phi du \in D(A)$  and*

$$\Lambda \int_r^s T(u)S(u)\phi du = T(s)C(s)\phi - T(r)C(r)\phi + BT(s)S(s)\phi - BT(r)S(r)\phi.$$

**Proof.** Using the fact that  $C(t)T(s) = T(s)C(t)$  for all  $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$  and identity (viii) in Proposition (2.1), we have

$$j(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C(t) \int_r^s T(u)S(u)\phi du = \frac{1}{2} \int_r^s T(u)(S(u+t) + S(u-t))\phi du.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} j'(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_r^s T(u)(C(u+t) - C(u-t))\phi du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{r+t}^{s+t} T(u-t)C(u)\phi du - \frac{1}{2} \int_{r-t}^{s-t} T(u+t)C(u)\phi du \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} j''(t) &= \frac{1}{2} [T(s)C(s+t)\phi - T(r)C(r)\phi] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{r+t}^{s+t} BT(u-t)C(u)\phi du \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} [T(s)C(s-t)\phi - T(r)C(r-t)\phi] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{r-t}^{s-t} BT(u+t)C(u)\phi du. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts,

$$\begin{aligned} (A + B^2) \int_r^s T(u)S(u)\phi du &= C''(0) \int_r^s T(u)S(u)\phi du \\ &= T(s)C(s)\phi - T(r)C(r)\phi + \int_r^s BT(u)C(u)\phi du \\ &= T(s)C(s)\phi - T(r)C(r)\phi + BT(s)S(s)\phi - BT(r)S(r)\phi \\ &\quad + \int_r^s B^2 T(u)C(u)\phi du \end{aligned}$$

from which (2.8) follows.

As noted in the comments preceding condition (3.1), condition (3.1) is satisfied with  $\lambda = 1/2$ . Also, if  $c$  is such that  $b^2(x) - c^2 \leq 0$

for all  $x \in [0, \pi]$ , we see that  $G_c^{-1}$  exists, satisfies

$$[G_c^{-1}\phi](x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n^2 + b^2(x) - c^2)^{-1}(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x),$$

and is compact. Furthermore,

$$[(-G_c)^{1/2}\phi]x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 - b^2(x) + c^2)^{1/2}(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} D((-G_c)^{1/2}) &= \{\phi \in X: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 - b(x) + c^2)(\phi, \phi_n)^2 < \infty\} \\ &= \{\phi \in X: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2(\phi, \phi_n)^2 < \infty\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have from Travis and Webb [7] that

$$\begin{aligned} D((-G_c)^{1/2}) &= \{\phi \in X: \phi \text{ is absolutely continuous,} \\ &\quad \phi' \in X, \text{ and } \phi(0) = \phi(\pi) = 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Noting that for  $\phi \in D((-G_c)^{1/2})$

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi'| &= \int_0^\pi \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\phi', \phi_n)\phi_n(x) \right]^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^\pi \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} (\phi, \phi_n) \cos(nx) \right]^2 dx \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 (\phi, \phi_n)^2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
|\phi|_{1/2} &= |(-G_c^{1/2})\phi| \\
&= \int_0^\pi \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 - b^2(x) + c^2)^{1/2} (\phi, \phi_n) \phi_n(x) \right]^2 dx \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 - b^2(x) + c^2) (\phi, \phi_n)^2
\end{aligned}$$

it follows that there exists  $K > 0$  such that for all  $\phi \in D((-G_c)^{1/2})$

$$\kappa |\phi'| \geq |\phi|_{1/2} \geq |\phi'|.$$

If  $f(w) = -aw - bw^3$ ,  $a, b > 0$  or  $f(w) = \sin w$  then equation (5.1) is the Klein-Gordon or Sine-Gordon equation respectively and  $[F(\phi)]x = f(\phi(x))$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 3.2 with  $F: X_{1/2} \rightarrow X_{1/2}$ . For example, to see  $F: X_{1/2} \rightarrow X_{1/2}$  defined by  $[F(\phi)]x = -a\phi(x) - b\phi^3(x)$  is continuous, observe for  $\phi, \psi \in X_{1/2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
|F\phi - F\psi|_{1/2} &\leq K |[F\phi]' - [F\psi]'| \\
&\leq K |a(\phi' - \psi') + 3b(\psi^2\psi' - \phi^2\phi')| \\
&\leq aK |\phi' - \psi'| + 3bK(|\psi^2\psi'| + |\phi'(\psi^2 - \phi^2)|)
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $b(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [0, \pi]$  and let  $b_m = \min\{b(x): 0 \leq x \leq \pi\}$  and  $b_M = \max\{b(x): 0 \leq x \leq \pi\}$ . Then  $|T(t)| \leq e^{-b_m t}$  and there exists  $M_{1/2} > 0$  such that  $|(-G_c)^{1/2}S(t)| \leq M_{1/2}e^{w_{1/2}t}$  where  $w_{1/2} = 0$  if  $b_M \leq 1$  and  $w_{1/2} = (b_M^2 - 1)^{1/2}$  if  $b_M > 1$ . Consequently, the results of section 4 apply provided  $0 < b_m < b_M \leq 1$  or  $b_M > 1$  and  $b_m > (b_M^2 - 1)^{1/2}$ .

As another example, consider

$$(5.2) \quad w_{tt}(x,t) + 2w_{xt}(x,t) = w_{xx}(x,t) + f(w(x,t)), \quad 0 < x < \pi, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$w(x,0) = h(x), \quad w_t(x,0) = g(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

$$w(0,t) = w(\pi,t), \quad w_x(0,t) = w_x(\pi,t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

where  $h, g \in \mathcal{L}_2(0, \pi; \mathbb{R})$ . Again let  $X = \mathcal{L}_2(0, \pi; \mathbb{R})$  with inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  and define  $A: D(A) \rightarrow X$  by  $A\phi = \phi''$  where

$$D(A) = \{\phi \in X: \phi, \phi' \text{ are absolutely continuous,}$$

$$\phi'' \in X, \phi(0) = \phi(\pi), \phi'(0) = \phi'(\pi)\}.$$

$A$  can be written in the form

$$A\phi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -4n^2 [(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n + (\phi, \psi_n)\psi_n]$$

where  $\phi_n(x) = (2/\pi)^{1/2} \sin(2nx)$ ,  $\psi_n(x) = (2/\pi)^{1/2} \cos(2nx)$ , and  $\phi = a + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n + (\phi, \psi_n)\psi_n$ ,  $a = (1/\pi) \int_0^\pi \phi(x) dx$ . We define  $B: D(B) \rightarrow X$  by  $B\phi = \phi'$  where

$$D(B) = \{\phi \in X: \phi' \in X, \phi(0) = \phi(\pi)\}.$$

The group  $\{T(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  generated by  $-B$  is defined by

$$[T(t)\phi]x = a + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x-t) + (\phi, \psi_n)\psi_n(x-t)$$

and  $G = A + B^2 = 2A$  generates the cosine family

$$[C(t)\phi]x = a + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(2\sqrt{2}nt)[(\phi, \phi_n)\phi_n(x) + (\phi, \psi_n)\psi_n(x)].$$

Conditions (2.1) - (2.7) are satisfied and condition (2.8) is verified

in the manner indicated by the proof of Proposition 5.1. Also,  $G^{-1}$  exists as a compact operator on  $X$  and  $(-G_c)^{1/2}$  exists with

$$(-G_C)^{1/2}\phi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2\sqrt{2} n [(\phi, \phi_n) \phi_n + (\phi, \psi_n) \psi_n].$$

The existence results of section 3 apply to example (5.2); however, note that since  $T(t)$  is of type  $b = 0$  and  $C(t)$  is of type  $w = 0$ , the asymptotic results of section 4 do not apply.

The abstract theory also applies to the equation

$$(5.3) \quad w_{tt} + 2b(x)w_t = -w_{xxxx} + f(w, w_x), \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$w(0, t) = w(\pi, t) = w_{xx}(0, t) = w_{xx}(\pi, t) = 0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$w(x, 0) = g(x), \quad w_t(x, 0) = h(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

As before let  $X = \mathcal{L}_2(0, \pi; \mathbb{R})$ ,  $A\phi = -\phi'''$  with

$$D(A) = \{\phi \in X: \phi, \phi', \phi'', \phi''' \text{ are absolutely continuous, } \phi''' \in X, \phi(0) = \phi(\pi) = \phi''(0) = \phi''(\pi) = 0\}.$$

In this case,  $[F\phi]x = f(\phi(x), \phi'(x))$  with appropriate conditions on  $f$  satisfies  $F: X_{1/4} \rightarrow X$  continuous and consequently Theorem 3.3 applies.

**REMARK.** The techniques also apply to

$$(5.4) \quad w_{tt} - 2w_{xxt} = -w_{xxxx} + f(w, w_x), \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t \geq 0$$

with the side conditions of (5.3). Here  $B\phi = -\phi''$  with

$$D(B) = \{\phi \in X: \phi, \phi' \text{ are absolutely continuous, } \phi'' \in X, \phi(0) = \phi(\pi) = 0\}.$$

Thus  $-B$  generates an analytic semigroup. Since  $A + B^2 = 0$ ,  $C(t)x = x$ ,  $S(t)x = tx$ , and equation (1.2) has the form

$$u(t) = T(t)[x + t(Bx + y)] + \int_0^t (t-s)T(t-s)F(u(s)) ds.$$

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## 20. Abstract (continued)

where  $A$  and  $B$  are densely defined linear operators and  $F$  is possibly nonlinear and unbounded. Assuming that  $A + B^2$  generates a cosine family  $C(t)$  and  $-B$  generates a group  $T(t)$ , there is a variation of constants formula for (1); namely

$$(2) \quad u(t) = T(t)[C(t)x + S(t)(Bx + y)]$$

$$+ \int_0^t T(t-s)S(t-s)F(u(s)) ds,$$

where  $S(t)$  is the sine family associated with  $C(t)$ . The motivating examples include  $w_{tt} + 2b(x)w_t = w_{xx} + f(w, w_x, w_t)$  and  $w_{tt} + 2w_{tx} = w_{xx} + f(w, w_x, w_t)$ , for  $0 < x < \pi$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $w(x, 0) = h(x)$ ,  $w_t(x, 0) = g(x)$ , and various boundary conditions. We examine the existence of mild solutions and the asymptotic behavior when there is a damping effect introduced by the  $2Bu'(t)$  term.

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